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RETRIEVAL SYSTEM AND IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS

## THIS IS NOT A NEW PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

The application papers for the above-identified application were originally filed on November 24, 1999 and the application was assigned Appl. No. 09/448,301.

|  | the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.41(c) and 1.53(f), attached hereto                 |  |  |
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| is the executed Dec  | laration of the inventor(s) ( $igtiesize original igcup photocopy$ ), necessary for |  |  |
| completing the filing requirements in connection with the above-identified application   |   |  |  |
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| Under Under  | the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ $1.41(c)$ and $1.53(f)$ , attached hereto            |  |  |
| is the executed Declaration that was attached to the specification at the time of        |   |  |  |
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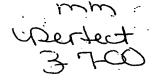
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| on page 1 of   | the inv                                     | entors' Declaration, filed on February 7, 2000, corresponds to                              |  |
| Appl. No. 09   | /448,30                                     | 01, filed November 24, 1999, entitled "RETRIEVAL SYSTEM AND                                 |  |
| IMAGE PRO      | CESSIN                                      | IG APPARATUS."  |  |
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|                | Attached are() sheet(s) of formal drawings. |   |  |
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| hereby respe   | ctfully                                     | petitions for an extension of time for the filing of the present paper                      |  |
| in accordanc   | e with                                      | the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.                                   |  |
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|                | Applic                                      | ant hereby respectfully petitions for a ( ) month(s) extension                              |  |
| of time for th | e filing                                    | of the present paper in accordance with the provisions of 37                                |  |
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An Application Number and Filing Date have been assigned to this application. The items indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). If any of items 1 or 3 through 5 are indicated as missing, the SURCHARGE set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65.00 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, or \$130.00 for a non-small entity, must also be timely submitted in reply to this NOTICE to avoid abandonment.

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